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- A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- No additional fee is required.

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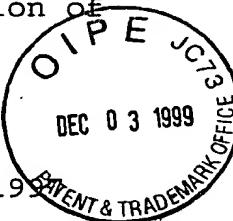
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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 3, 1999,  
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel claims 15, 16, 23, 24, 27 and 28.

REMARKS

Applicants have canceled claims 15, 16, 23, 24, 27 and 28. Accordingly, claims 1-14, 17-22, 25 and 26 are pending.

Each of the independent claims that are pending, claims 1, 17 and 18, have been rejected as being unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. § 103 over Camaisa, U.S. Patent No. 5,845,263.

Additionally, Camaisa et al is used as a primary reference in the rejection of each of the claims dependent on these independent claims. Reconsideration of the rejections is requested for the following reasons.